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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Application Number	09/322,585
Filing Date	MAY 28, 1999
First Named Inventor	Josh KELMAN
Art Unit	1732
Examiner Name	Edmund H. Lee
Attorney Docket Number	TAC P-2590.1 CON

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8,

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
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- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iv. ☐ Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR §1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

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- The RCE fee under 37 CFR §1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR §1.114 when the RCE is filed.
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- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(e) 10/23/2002 BNGUYEN1 00000124 09322585
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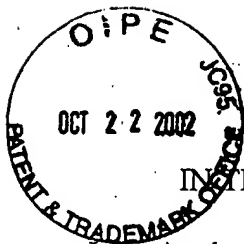
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In re Appln. of: Kelman, et al.

Serial No.: 09/322,585

Filed: May 28, 1999

For: **METHOD FOR APPLYING BSR ELASTOMER**

Group: 1732

Examiner: E. Lee

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The Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Washington, DC 20231

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action dated July 17, 2002 and is being filed within the three month shortened statutory period set for the response in the Office Action. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) has been simultaneously filed with this response. Reexamination and reconsideration is requested.

Please amend the Application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 7, 8, 9 and 11 as follows:

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1. (Four Times Amended) A method for mounting interior vehicle trim parts to reduce noise in which a first trim part is supported adjacent a second trim part and in which a bead of buffer material is provided between the first and second trim parts to reduce noises produced by contact and relative motion between the first and second trim parts, the method including the steps of:

providing the first and second trim parts, the first trim part having a peripheral